GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Revenue Department – E.G.District – Sri P.V. Prasada Rao, former Tahsildar, Devipatnam Mandal – Departmental proceedings initiated under rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Article of charges Issued – Enquiry Officer appointed - Report submitted – Charged Officer retired from service on 31.03.2017 - CO expired on 28.02.2021 – Further action abated – Orders – Issued.

****

REVENUE (VIGIALNCE.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 333 Dated: 15-06-2021.

Read the following:

1. Procdgs Ref.No.VS-I(3)/1533/2008, Dt:30.09.2010 of the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada.
2. Explanation dt:26.10.2010 of Sri P.V.Prasada Rao, former Tahsildar, Devipatnam (M), Krishna District
3. Procdgs Ref.No.VS-I(3)/1533/2008, Dt:04.11.2010 of the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada.
4. The Collector & District Magistrate, E.G.District, Ref.No.A5/3308/2008, Dt:16.04.2011.
5. From the CCLA, Lr.No.VS.II(2)/1533/2008, dated.17.10.2017.
6. Govt.Memo.No.18023/6/2018-Vig.III, Rev (Vig.III) Dept, Dt:21.07.2020.
7. Explanation dt:Nil of Sri P.V.Prasada Rao, former Tahsildar, Devipatnam (M), Krishna District.
8. Govt.Memo.No.REV01-18023/6/2018-VIG III (2), Dt:29/12/2020.
9. Explanation dt:Nil of Sri P.V.Prasada Rao, former Tahsildar, Devipatnam (M), Krishna District (Retd).
10. From the Secretary, APPSC, Lr.Rc.no.108/DC&C/2021, Dated:22.03.2021.
11. From the Collector & District Magistrate, E.G.District, Kakinada, Lr.RefA5/3308/2008, Dt:16.04.2021

---***---

ORDER:

Whereas, it was brought to the notice of the Government that disciplinary proceedings were initiated against Sri P.V. Prasada Rao, former Tahsildar, Devipatnam for irregularities committed by him in collection of money and issue of pattadar pass books and title deeds and also assigning the Govt lands without following due procedure vide the reference 1t read above. The Charged Officer has submitted his explanation. Since the explanation of the Charged Officer was not convincing, the Joint Collector and District Revenue Officer, East Godavari District were appointed as Enquiry Officer and Presenting Officer respectively.

2. And whereas, in the reference 4th read above, the Joint Collector, East Godavari District has submitted the enquiry report stating that the charges at Sl.No.1, 3 and 5 were not held proved and a lenient view may be taken on the charged officer with regard to charges at Sl.No.2 and 4. On perusal of the enquiry report, the then CCLA & Spl. CS has observed that the Enquiry report has been drafted very casually and that though the Enquiry Officer has come to certain conclusions, he contradicted them in his findings. Therefore the case was remanded back to the Joint Collector, East Godavari to conduct a fresh enquiry and to submit the report, vide his procds dt:12.07.2011. Subsequently, the Joint Collector, E.G. District has submitted enquiry report dt:19.11.2019 along with findings stating that the charges 1,3,5 are not proved and charges are 2 & 4 stands proved. Since the charged officer i.e Sri P.V.Prasada Rao, former Tabiidar, Devipatnarn (M) was retired from service on 31.03.2017, the CCLA has furnished the proposals to the Government to conclude the departmental proceedings against the retired Government Servants under Rule 9 of A.P.R.P. Rules, 1980.

(P.T.O)

3. Government, after careful examination of the mater, has communicated the Inquiry report to the Charged Officer to offer his further remarks, vide the ref 4th read above. Accordingly, vide the reference 5th read above the Charged Officer has submitted his explanation with a request to consider his case sympathetically and revoke charges framed against him by dropping further action against him.

4. After examining the explanation of the Charged Officer, Government have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of "withholding of 20% (twenty per cent) of his monthly pension for a period of 10 (ten) years" against the Charged Officer, Sri P.V. Prasada Rao, former Tahsildar (Rtd), Devipatnam, E.G.District, for the charges held proved, under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules,1980. Accordingly, a show cause notice has been issued, vide reference 8th read above. In response to the Show Cause Notice, the Charged Officer has submitted his explanation reiterating his earlier contentions and requested to consider his case sympathetically and not to impose the proposed penalty against him and to drop the further action. Government, after careful examination of the explanation of the Charged Officer, have decided to impose the proposed punishment. Accordingly, necessary proposals were sent to the A.P.Public Service Commission for their concurrence, vide the letter dt:08.02.2021. Accordingly, the Secretary, APPSC in his letter dt:08.02.2021 has furnished the concurrence of the Commission for the above proposal of the Government.

5. And whereas, in the reference 11th read above, the District Collector, E.G.District has informed that Sri P.V. Prasada Rao, former Tahsildar (Retd), was expired on 28.02.2021 due to chronic diseases and requested the Government to abate further disciplinary proceedings against the C.O Sri P.V. Prasada Rao, former Tahsildar (Retd), in this case in accordance with Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

6. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have decided and hereby order to abate further action against Sri P.V. Prasada Rao, former Tahsildar (Retd), Devipatnam, E.G.District, who expired on 28.02.2021, subject to recovery of loss caused by the deceased employee, if any, in terms of Rule 9 (7) of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

7. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada/the Collector & District Magistrate, E.G.District, Kakinada shall take necessary further action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OFANDHRA PRADESH)

V.USHARANI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To:
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Collector & District Magistrate, E.G.District, Kakinada
Copy to:
Legal heir of Sri P.V. Prasada Rao, former Tahsildar (Retd), Devipatnam, E.G.District through the Collector & District Magistrate, E.G.District, Kakinada.
The Principal Accountant General, A.P., Hyderabad.
The Secretary, APPSC, Vijayawada.
Sf/Sc.

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER